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# **Medical Records**

Civil Action Number: 2:17-01146

Claimant: Trish Ann Fontana Account Number: 197-56-3849

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# **Jefferson Regional Medical Center** PHYSICAL THERAPY **PROGRESS NOTE**

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EXERCISE PROGRESSION RECORD

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ED Evaluation Note-Mercy:

#### University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Patient: FONTANA, TRISH A MRN: 980404528 FIN: 0334426883107

Age: **45 years** Sex: **Female** DOB: **6/2/1967**Associated Diagnoses: **None** 

Associated Diagnoses: **None** Author: **CONOVER, KEITH** 

**Visit Information** 

Visit Information: Patient seen on 4/17/2013.

**Findings** 

ATTENDING EMERGENCY MEDICINE NOTE:

Registration clerk chief complaint reviewed. Agree

Triage note reviewed. Agree

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Right neck pain, weakness in hands, tingling in the legs

History of Present Illness: The patient is a 45-year-old woman, smoker, past medical history of some chronic low back pain which is not a current complaint, did have surgery for an L5-S1 disc 2 years ago, also a history of about a year of undiagnosed rash on her right cheek despite seeing dermatology, here with a chief complaint of 2 weeks of progressive worsening of pain in the right more than left neck, associated with a decreased range of motion there, and some mild bilateral hand weakness, as well some intermittent tingling in both legs. No saddle anesthesia, no problems with urination or defecation. The pain is moderate, dull and aching. Does not want any pain medication for it at this time.

REVIEW OF SYSTEMS: All systems listed below were reviewed and are negative unless otherwise noted in the report.

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Respiratory

Gastrointestinal

Genitourinary

Musculoskeletal

Dermatologic

Neurological

Allergic/Immunologic

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: As above

MEDICATIONS: Reviewed and agree with Nursing Notes

ALLERGIES: Reviewed and agree with Nursing Notes

SOCIAL HISTORY: As above

PHYSICAL EXAM: Vital Signs: reviewed nurses' note

PATENT STATUS: alert, cooperative, mild distress, holding her neck quite still, not ill appearing, well-hydrated

EYES: PERRL, EOMI, no injection, anicteric.

THROAT: No injection. No exudate. No tonsillar hypertrophy. Airway widely patent. Uvula is midline. No tonsillar bulging,

retropharyngeal soft tissues appear normal.

NECK: Range of motion is decreased. Moderate right more than left spasm but minimal tenderness. No palpable

adenopathy. No midline tenderness.

BACK: No costovertebral, paravertebral, intravertebral or prevertebral tenderness or spasm.

CHEST: nontender, normal expansion, no retractions.

LUNGS: Clear to auscultation and percussion. No rales. No rhonchi. No rubs. No wheezes.

HEART: Regular rate and rhythm, no murmurs rubs or gallops.

ABDOMEN: Soft, nontender, normal bowel sounds, no guarding or rebound, no hepatosplenomegaly or mass, no bruit.

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SKIN: Warm, dry, no cyanosis, no petechiae. There is a 4 cm circular erythematous lesion on the right cheek with some central fine scaling however no palpable adenopathy proximal to this.

EXTREMITIES: No edema. No cyanosis. No clubbing. No calf tenderness.

NEUROLOGICAL: Alert. Cooperative. Sensory and motor functions are intact except for some mild weakness of hand grip bilaterally, difficult to rate but probably a bit less than her normal.

MEDICAL DECISION MAKING/DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS: Old records reviewed. This scenario it is very concerning for possible spinal stenosis in the cervical spine, so obtained an MRI; no IVDA, no recent fever, no palpable adenopathy, not particularly suspicious of cancer or infection, so the MRI was without contrast. This did show a large herniated disc at C4-5 with indentation of the spinal cord. Given her symptoms, and this finding, I immediately contacted Dr. Blackrick on call for her orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Richman. We agreed on a Medrol Dosepak, Tylenol and Flexeril, and she will keep her appointment with him on Monday. Cautioned to return to ED if worse weakness in hands or any new or worsening symptoms. Recommended gentle neck stretching.

DIAGNOSIS: Acute herniated cervical disc with spinal stenosis and motor weakness in the hands.

DISPOSITION: Patient discharged in stable condition. Computer-generated discharge instructions provided.

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Credentials: MD. Title: Attending.

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\*\*\* RADIOLOGY REPORT \*\*\*

Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH A DOB: 06/02/1967

MRN: 980404528 Gender: F Location: UDEM (MCY)

Exam Desc: MR SPINE CERVICAL WITHOUT CONTRAST

Accession Date: 04/17/2013 13:29 Dictated on : 04/17/2013 15:37

KEITH CONOVER Attending MD: Requesting MD: KEITH CONOVER

Accession #: 70217036 Visit Number: 0334426883107

KHURSHED J DASTUR Attending Interpreter:

Assisting Interpreter: BENJAMIN C JACOBS

#### \*\*\* FINAL REPORT \*\*\*

#### Reason for the Exam:

? cord compression: R neck pain 2 wks, weakness in hands, numbness in legs CLINICAL HISTORY: 45-year-old woman with right neck pain and leg and arm weakness for 2 weeks.

TECHNIQUE:

Multiecho multiplanar MR imaging of the cervical spine was performed without intravenous contrast. Sequences include 3 plane localizer, sagittal T1, sagittal STIR, sagittal T2, axial T2 stack, axial gradient, and axial T1.

COMPARISON:

None.

#### FINDINGS:

There is mild straightening of the normal cervical lordosis and possible mild smooth kyphosis, centered at C4-C5. Bony alignment is anatomic and there is no evidence of acute fracture. Mild disc space narrowing is most significant at C5-C6. The craniocervical junction is unremarkable. Paravertebral soft tissues appear normal. Vertebral artery flow voids are preserved.

Degenerative changes are most significant at C4-C5 where a posterior disc osteophyte complex impresses upon and mildly distorts the ventral aspect of the cervical cord. There is no definite associated cord signal abnormality to suggest edema. The spinal canal and neural foramina are patent at all other imaged levels. IMPRESSION:

Degenerative changes most significant at C4-C5 where a posterior disc osteophyte complex impresses upon and distorts the ventral aspect of the cord.

Degenerative narrowing of C5-6 disc space.

RELEVANT CLINICAL INFORMATION: ? cord compression: R neck pain 2 wks, weakness

in hands, numbness in legs

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OPERATIVE REPORT

PATIENT NAME: FONTANA, TRISH A
ACCOUNT #: 0334426881363
SURGEON: Gregg G. Weidner, M.D.
ATTENDING PHYSICIAN: GREGG WEIDNER
SURGERY DATE: 01/12/12

SURGERY DATE: 01/12/12 ADMISSION DATE: 01/12/2012

DISCHARGE DATE:

#### HISTORY:

Trish returns to see me. The patient complains of back pain with some tingling going down her legs. The patient denies any weakness. The patient had trialed the Neurontin which she does think it has been helpful, but she has been reluctant to take it \_\_\_\_\_ possible side effects. She has been taking Vicodin, but she has been out of Vicodin for some time. The patient today did undergo repeat lumbar epidural steroid injection which was well tolerated.

#### PROCEDURE NOTE:

With informed consent, the patient was placed in the prone position. ChloraPrep was applied in a wide and thorough prep. Then Betadine was applied. Sterile draping was utilized. Skin infiltration was performed with 5 mL of 1% lidocaine. Then under fluoroscopic guidance, an 18-gauge Tuohy needle was advanced into the interlaminar epidural plane. No heme or CSF was aspirated. Methylprednisolone was then drawn up sterilely and injected 80 mg in a volume of 2 mL preservative saline. Needle tract was cleared.

The patient tolerated this well. The patient was given a prescription for short supply of Vicodin. I discussed these issues thoroughly with patient.

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PAIN SERVICE
OPERATIVE REPORT

PATIENT NAME: FONTANA, TRISH A
ACCOUNT #: 0334426881334
SURGEON: Gregg G. Weidner, M.D.
ATTENDING PHYSICIAN: GREGG WEIDNER
SURGERY DATE: 12/09/11

ADMISSION DATE: 12/09/2011

DISCHARGE DATE:

#### DATE OF BIRTH:

06/02/1967

#### HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS:

Ms. Fontana is a very pleasant lady who presents to me at Dr. Richman's request. The patient has a history of a previous lumbar laminectomy at L5-S1 with Dr. Richman. In June 2011, she had the significant pain down the right leg at that time and was found to have a large disk herniation with compression of the S1 nerve root. She tolerated the surgery well and initially saw significant improvement in her leg pain, but now has seen persistent low back pain with some pain traveling into her legs, but not in the same fashion as it had prior to surgery. The patient also complains of some degree of neck pain and pain into the arms. She notes that activity seems to exacerbate her pain. She gets crampy in her legs. She feels shooting pain into the \_\_\_\_\_ feet. The patient cannot exercise for any significant length of time secondary to pain. She cannot sit for a long time. The patient has been taking Vicodin twice a day for the pain as well as ibuprofen and Prilosec. The patient has no bowel or bladder incontinence. She has had no falls, no trauma. The patient denies any headaches.

#### REVIEW OF SYSTEMS:

The patient's review of systems is otherwise negative aside from joint pains, stiffness, and muscle aches. Her review of system is negative for constitutive, visual, ear, nose, and throat, respiratory, cardiovascular, musculoskeletal, dermatologic, immunologic, hematologic, lymphangitic, genitourinary, gynecologic, psychiatric, and psychologic.

#### FAMILY HISTORY:

The patient's family history is significant for father having hypertension, diabetes, coronary artery disease and end-stage renal failure. Her mother has hypertension.

#### PAST SURGICAL HISTORY:

The patient's past surgical history includes:

1. Pilonidal cyst operation.

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2. She has also had podiatric surgery in addition to lumbar spinal surgery.

#### ALLERGIES:

THE PATIENT IS ALLERGIC TO:

- 1. PENICILLIN.
- 2. PENTOTHAL.
- 3. MORPHINE.
- 4. THE PATIENT ALSO IS ALLERGIC TO DIFFERENT TYPES OF TAPE.

#### SOCIAL HISTORY:

The patient is a smoker. Denies any alcohol consumption. Denies any history of IV drug abuse.

#### PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:

VITAL SIGNS: The patient's examination shows she is 5 feet 3 inches, 158 pounds, her blood pressure is 149/94, and she is afebrile. GENERAL: She is able to stand and ambulate. She has no weakness in the upper and lower extremities. HEENT: The patient has no adenopathy, no thyroid enlargement. The patient had normal pupils. Tongue was midline. Cranial nerves were intact. LUNGS: Clear to auscultation anterior and posterior. CARDIOVASCULAR EXAMINATION: Regular without any murmur. ABDOMEN: Obese. There was no guarding or rigidity. Had normoactive bowel sounds. MUSCULOSKELETAL: She was not tender to palpation of the cervical, thoracic, or lumbar spine. The patient had normal reflexes in upper and lower extremities and symmetrically so. Her strength is 5/5 in upper and lower extremities. SKIN: Dry and warm. NEUROLOGIC: There was no allodynia. She had normal sensation. Her pulses were normal. There was no peripheral edema. The patient had pain with straight leg raising in the back, but no radicular component pain. She had good range of motion of the hip and the knee. Her gait was normal without any ataxia.

I did review the MRI of the lumbar spine, which was done here at UPMC Mercy Hospital. It was available on the Stentor System.

The patient had a disk bulge at L4-L5 with spondylolisthesis at that level or an anterolisthesis at that level and some neuroforaminal stenosis. She had scar at L5-S1.

After discussing with the patient thoroughly the risks and benefits, today I did perform a lumbar epidural steroid injection, which was well tolerated.

#### PROCEDURE NOTE:

With informed consent, the patient was placed in the prone position. ChloraPrep was applied in a wide and thorough prep. This was allowed to completely dry. Then, Betadine was applied. Sterile draping was utilized. Skin infiltration was performed with 5 mL of 1% lidocaine. Then, under fluoroscopic guidance, an 18-gauge Tuohy needle was advanced into the interlaminar epidural plane. No heme or CSF was aspirated. Methylprednisolone was then drawn up sterilely and instilled 80 mg in a volume of 2 mL preservative-free saline. Needle tract was cleared. The patient tolerated

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\*\*\* RADIOLOGY REPORT \*\*\*

Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH A DOB: 06/02/1967

MRN: 980404528 Gender: F Location: URAD (MCY)

Exam Desc: MR SPINE LUMBAR WITH AND WITHOUT CONTRAST

Accession Date: 11/11/2011 16:51 Dictated on : 11/12/2011 09:35

Attending MD: JORY D RICHMAN
Requesting MD: JORY D RICHMAN

Accession #: 65720569 Visit Number: 0334426881314

Attending Interpreter: KHURSHED J DASTUR

Assisting Interpreter:

\*\*\* FINAL REPORT \*\*\*

Reason for the Exam: MR1/DX: BACK PAIN

CLINICAL HISTORY:

Back pain. Status post surgery 06/30/11.

COMPARISON:

MRI lumbar spine 06/22/2011.

TECHNIQUE:

Multiplanar, multipulse images are obtained emphasizing T1 and T2-weighted imaging. Sagittal STIR images are also obtained. Examination is performed with and without the IV infusion of 14cc MultiHance.

#### FINDINGS:

There is again noted grade 1 degenerative anterolisthesis L4 on L5 with narrowing of the disc space. L5-S1 disc space is also slightly narrowed. Scout images reveal 5 lumbar vertebral bodies. The cerebellar tonsils are low-lying and could be evaluated further by MRI of brain if indicated.

At L5-S1 level: A right-sided laminectomy defect is noted. Enhancingpost laminectomy scarring is noted extending into the right lateral aspect of the spinal canal and into the anterior epidural space. The scar tissue surrounds the right S1 root. The thecal sac is not displaced.

At L4-5 level: There is diffuse bulging of disc annulus and some unroofing of the disc. In addition, facetal degenerative changes are noted. There is narrowing of lateral recesses and central dimensions of the spinal canal. There is some inferior foraminal narrowing noted bilaterally. Exiting root shows no compression.

At L3-4 level: The disc contour is unremarkable and canal dimensions are normal.

At the L2-3 level: The disc contour is unremarkable and canal dimensions are normal.

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At L1-2 level: There is some bulging of disc annulus. This is slightly eccentric to the left. Canal dimensions are normal.

The conus terminates at T12-L1 level and shows no compression. Signal of the conus appears normal.

#### IMPRESSION:

1. Right laminectomy at L5-S1 level. There is enhancing post laminectomy scarring extending into the right lateral aspect of the spinal canal and into the anterior epidural space. There is no definite nonenhancing tissue to suggest definite residual or recurrent disc protrusion. Scar tissue surrounds the right S1 root. 2. At L4-5 level, there is degenerative anterolisthesis of L4 on L5 with bulging and unroofing of the disc. There is central spinal stenosis at this level.

3. Some bulging of disc annulus noted at L1-2 level slightly eccentric to the left.

#### END OF IMPRESSION:

RELEVANT CLINICAL INFORMATION: MR1/DX: BACK PAIN

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# Office Note - Outpatient

## FONTANA, TRISH ANN - 075677782

\* Preliminary Report \*

Result Type: Performed Date: Office Note - Outpatient June 27, 2011 12:00 AM

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Preliminary OFFICE NOTE

Performed By: Encounter info: RICHMAN, JORY D on June 27, 2011 9:51 AM OUTPT TRANSCRIPTION RESULT, - 1/1/2001 MRN: 980404528 06/30/11 FONTANA, TRISH ANN 033442688-1179 DOB: 06/02/67

### \* Preliminary Report \*

#### OFFICE NOTE (Unverified)

SUBJECTIVE: Trish Fontana is a young woman referred from the emergency department for evaluation of spontaneous onset of lower back pain in the right side with severe sciatica in the right lower extremity that began 3 weeks ago. Her back pain has improved; however, her sciatica has not improved to any significant extent and follows an S1 dermatome.

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: Unremarkable. She has no medical illnesses.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: She is a pleasant, normally developed, 44-year-old woman accompanied by her husband. She is standing as sitting causes a great deal of discomfort. She has a markedly positive straight-leg raising sign on the right side with an absent Achilles reflex, and diminished strength in her EHL on the right side as well.

**DIAGNOSTIC TEST RESULTS:** Review of an MRI scan reveals a large, extruded L5-S1 disk herniation on the right side consistent with her clinical symptoms.

ASSESSMENT AND PLAN: She has a large disk herniation, and we discussed the option of a microdiskectomy. The surgical risks were reviewed with her and her husband, including the risk of nerve injury, vascular injury, infection, CSF leak, and recurrence. All questions were answered, and surgery will be performed later this week.

Jory D. Richman, MD

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1400 Locust Street Pittsburgh, PA 15219 Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN

Ad.Date: 06/30/2011 Rm.Loc.: 11023-01 Med.Rec.No.: 980-40-4528 Dr.: Richman, Jory D Acct.No.: 000334426881179

Age: 44Y Birth: 06/02/1967

Sex: F

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06/22/11 1842 Basic Metabolic Panel

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\*\*\* PATHOLOGY REPORT \*\*\*

Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN DOB: 06/02/1967

MRN: 980404528 Gender: F Location: U11E (MCY)

Specimen Class: MYSG

Accession Date: 06/30/2011 13:55 Collection Date: 06/30/2011 13:55

Attending MD: JORY RICHMAN

Requesting MD: JORY RICHMAN Patient Type: (I ) INPATIENT

Accession #: MYS11-6089 Visit Number: 0334426881179

#### \*\*\* FINAL REPORT \*\*\*

FINAL DIAGNOSIS:

DISC, L5-S1, DISCECTOMY:

TISSUE FROM DISC (GROSS DIAGNOSIS ONLY) .

SEB/SEB

Pathologist: Yaoxian Ding, M.D. \*\* Report Electronically Signed Out \*\* By Pathologist: Yaoxian Ding, M.D. 7/1/2011 13:45

My signature is attestation that I have personally reviewed the submitted material(s) and the final diagnosis reflects that evaluation.

#### GROSS DESCRIPTION:

The specimen is received in saline and is labeled with the patient's name, initials TAF, and "disc". The specimen consists of a 2.0 X 1.0 X 0.8 cm. aggregate of pink-white, firm to rubbery tissue fragments. No obvious lesions are noted grossly. No sections are submitted. The specimen is submitted for gross examination only. MR/cbc

MLR//CBC/CBC

#### MICROSCOPIC:

No microscopic examination was performed on this specimen.

The following statement applies to all immunohistochemistry, Insitu Hybridization Assays (ISH & FISH), Molecular Anatomic Pathology, and Immunofluorescent Testing:

The testing was developed and its performance characteristics determined by the University of Pittsburgh, Department of Pathology, as required by the CLIA 188 regulations. The testing has not been cleared or approved for the specific use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, but the FDA has determined such approval is not necessary for clinical use.

This laboratory is certified under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 ("CLIA") as qualified to perform high-complexity clinical <>< PAGE 1 >>> \*\*\* PATHOLOGY REPORT \*\*\*

Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN DOB: 06/02/1967

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testing. Pursuant to the requirements of CLIA, ASR's used in this laboratory have been established and verified for accuracy and precision. Additional information about this type of test is available upon request.

PATIENT HISTORY:

Herniated nucleus pulposus, L5-S1.

Herniated nucleus pulposus, L5-S1. Herniated nucleus pulposus, L5-S1. Pre-Op Diagnosis: Post-Op Diagnosis:

TC1

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Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN DOB: 06/02/1967

MRN: 980404528 Gender: F Location: USUR (MCY)

Exam Desc: XRAY SPINE ONE VIEW

Accession Date: 06/30/2011 12:52 Dictated on : 06/30/2011 14:01

Attending MD: JORY D RICHMAN
Requesting MD: JORY D RICHMAN

Accession #: 64627331 Visit Number: 0334426881179

Attending Interpreter: BEATRICE A CARLIN

Assisting Interpreter:

\*\*\* FINAL REPORT \*\*\*

Reason for the Exam: LUMBAR DISC DISPLACEMENT

CLINICAL HISTORY:

Intraoperative evaluation.

COMPARISON:

MRI of the lumbar spine performed on 06/22/2011.

FINDINGS:

A metallic marker is present at the posterior aspect of the lumbar spine at the L5-S1 level.

END OF IMPRESSION:

RELEVANT CLINICAL INFORMATION: LUMBAR DISC DISPLACEMENT

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UPMC MERCY ORTHOPAEDICS OPERATIVE REPORT

PATIENT NAME: FONTANA, TRISH A
ACCOUNT #: 0334426881179
SURGEON: Jory D. Richman, M.D.
ATTENDING PHYSICIAN: JORY D RICHMAN
SURGERY DATE: 06/30/11
ADMISSION DATE: 06/30/2011

DISCHARGE DATE:

#### PREOPERATIVE DIAGNOSIS:

HERNIATED NUCLEUS PULPOSUS, L5-S1, RIGHT SIDE.

POSTOPERATIVE DIAGNOSIS:

HERNIATED NUCLEUS PULPOSUS, L5-S1, RIGHT SIDE.

PROCEDURE PERFORMED:

MICRODISKECTOMY, L5-S1, RIGHT SIDE.

ASSISTANT:

Geoffrey D. Cornelsen, D.O.

ANESTHESTA:

General.

#### INDICATION:

This patient is a 44-year-old woman with L5-S1 disk herniation causing significant compression of the right S1 nerve root. She has elected to undergo a microdiskectomy. The surgical risks were discussed with her including the risk of recurrence, vascular injury, infection, nerve damage, and CSF leak. She understands the surgical risks and wishes to proceed.

#### DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE:

Following the induction of general anesthesia, she was positioned prone on a Kambin frame, and her lumbar area was prepped and draped in a sterile fashion. A 3 cm incision was made at the L5-S1 interspace. The fascia was incised, and an intraoperative x-ray was taken to confirm localization.

Under an operating microscope, a small laminotomy was performed at L5-S1 and the S1 nerve root was identified. There was an extremely large extruded disk herniation that had migrated proximally and this was removed with a pituitary rongeur. The annulus was explored by making a longitudinal separation and some additional nuclear material was removed. However, the majority of the

\*U\*P\*M\*C\* FONTANA, TRISH Acct#:0334426881179 compression came from the large extruded fragment. Following this diskectomy and a Valsalva maneuver was performed, and there was no evidence of CSF leak. The wound was irrigated and 80 mg of Depo-Medrol was instilled over the laminotomy site. The deep fascia was closed with 0 Polysorb suture. The subcutaneous tissue was closed with 2-0 Polysorb suture, and the skin was closed with a running subcuticular 4-0 Monocryl suture and Dermabond. A sterile dressing was applied, and she was transferred to the Recovery Room in good condition.

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Dictator: Jory D. Richman, M.D.

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\*\*\* RADIOLOGY REPORT \*\*\*

Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN DOB: 06/02/1967

MRN: 980404528 Gender: F Location: UOUT (MCY)

Exam Desc: XRAY CHEST FRONTAL AND LATERAL VIEWS

Accession Date: 06/27/2011 10:35

Dictated on : 06/27/2011 12:28

Attending MD: JORY D RICHMAN Requesting MD: JORY D RICHMAN

Visit Number: 0334426881178 Accession #: 64595013

E. ROBERT GATES Attending Interpreter:

Assisting Interpreter:

\*\*\* FINAL REPORT \*\*\*

Reason for the Exam: PRE OP/BACK SX

CLINICAL HISTORY:

Preoperative examination.

TECHNIQUE:

Two views were obtained.

The heart is normal in size and the lungs are clear. There are no pleural or mediastinal lesions.

IMPRESSION:

Normal heart size and clear lungs without change since a prior examination dated 06/07/2010.

END OF IMPRESSION:

RELEVANT CLINICAL INFORMATION: PRE OP/BACK SX

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UPMC MERCY EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT EVALUATION

PATIENT NAME: FONTANA, TRISH A ACCOUNT #: 0334426881173 DATE OF SERVICE: 06/22/2011

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Worsening back pain, right leg numbness

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: 44-year-old female who developed spontaneous right-sided low back pain accompanied by a right lower extremity numbness about 2-1/2 weeks ago. There was no recall of any trauma or change in activities prior to the initial pain initiation. The patient was seen several times by a chiropractor with no relief. She then subsequently came to the emergency department about 3 days ago and was evaluated and felt to have sciatica. She was referred to orthopedics however has not been able to get an appointment so far. The patient's complaint of pain as well as some subjective weakness of the right lower extremity and numbness has worsened. She has numbness that goes from the buttocks around the lateral thigh and into the heel and forefoot. The patient denies any urinary or bowel symptoms other than mild constipation since starting the medications prescribed at her last visit. There is no clear perineal numbness however it feels somewhat unusual for the patient's report. There is no history of fever. There is no infectious episode prior to onset. She does have a history hemangiomas in the liver.

REVIEW OF SYSTEMS: All systems listed below were reviewed and are negative unless otherwise noted in the report. General no fever no recent illness EYES ENT Cardiac Respiratory Gastrointestinal no abdominal pain no fecal incontinence. Some constipation since starting Percocet Genitourinary no urinary frequency urgency or retention Musculoskeletal Dermatologic no skin rash Neurological

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: See Chart history of liver hemangiomas, ankle fracture.

No diabetes, hypertension

MEDICATIONS: Reviewed and agree with nurses notes Percocet ibuprofen

ALLERGIES: Reviewed and agree with nurses notes morphine-vomiting

SOCIAL HISTORY: See Chart

PHYSICAL EXAM: Vital Signs reviewed nurses' note afebrile. Vital signs stable

PATENT STATUS: alert and comfortable

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HEAD: atraumatic, normocephalic EYES: PERRL, EOMI. No conjunctival injection or exudate

THROAT: Airway Patent. Mucous membrane pink and moist. No oral mucosal lesions.

No pharyngeal inflammation, exudate or tonsillar hypertrophy.

NECK: Supple with FROM. No palpation tenderness or lymphadenopathy.

LUNGS: Respirations unlabored with good air entry bilaterally. Breath sounds

clear without stridor, wheezing or crackles. HEART: Regular rate and rhythm. No murmur, gallop or rub.

Back: There is reproducible tenderness both the midline in the paralumbar regions in the mid to upper lumbar back. There is pain with range of motion.

There is no erythema, warmth or redness overlying the spine

ABDOMEN: Non-distended with active bowel sounds. No tenderness, rebound or guarding. No hepatosplenomegaly or mass.

SKIN: Warm ,dry, without rashes

MUSCULOSKELETAL: Extremities are symmetrical, FROM, without tenderness or edema distal pulses are intact.

NEUROLOGICAL: Alert and oriented. Cranial nerves intact. Motor and sensory functions intact with the exception of a decreased sensation in the right lateral foot, right lateral calf and thigh.

Deep tendon reflexes are 2+ at the left patella and ankle jerks, 1+ at the right patella and difficult to elicit at the right ankle jerk.

Motor strength in the foot extensor on the right seems to be slightly decreased although this may partially related pain

DIAGNOSTIC STUDIES: MRI: as read by radiology there is a large right-sided disc herniation at the L5-S1 interspace with a free fragment.

HOSPITAL COURSE/ Medical decision-making: an intravenous was placed in the patient was treated with Dilaudid 1 mg for pain. She was also given a dose of Decadron for anti-inflammatory affect. Given the findings on exam an MRI is the most appropriate test at this point. Possible given the worsening of symptoms and that demonstrated findings we will attempt to obtain this today from the emergency department.

The patient maintain good pain control. She was a note Torre in emergency department without significant problems.

Re-examination: There continues to be some minor decrease in extension of the right great toe as well as a decrease in the right ankle jerk reflex. The covering physician for Dr Richman was contacted they agree with the initial dose of steroids but did not opt for any further steroids. the patient was advised to contact the office tomorrow for possibility of accelerating her appointment.

Given a continued improvement in her pain and keeping with the patient's wishes she was discharged home to continue with her pain control regimen. Short term she has any further worsening of symptoms prior to being evaluated by the orthopedic service.

DIAGNOSIS: L5 S1 herniated disc, right lumbar radiculopathy

The patient was discharged home in stable condition. A customized computer generated instruction sheet was given and a copy is attached to the chart.

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1400 Locust Street Pittsburgh, PA 15219 Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN

Ad.Date: 06/22/2011 Med.Rec.No.: 980-40-4528

Dr.: Whiteford, John Ryan Age: 44Y Birth: 06/02/1967

Sex: F

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Inorganic/Organic Analyses \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 06/22/11

TIME:	+1842	Reference	Units
Loc:	UDEM		
Calcium	9.7	8.8-10.3	MG/DL
BUN	8	6-24	MG/DL
SODIUM	138	136-144	MMOL/L
POTASSIUM	3.7	3.5-4.9	MMOL/L
CHLORIDE	106	98-109	MMOL/L
C02	25	22-32	MMOL/L
AGAP	7	4-12	MMOL/L
GLUCOSE, NF	93	70-99	MG/DL
CREATININE	0.69	0.50-1.17	MG/DL
	T24D1		
GFRAA	>59	>59	ML/MIN
GFROT	>59	>59	ML/MIN
GFRCM	CGFR		

---FOOTNOTES---

CGFR GFR IS ESTIMATED - CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE: <60 ML/MIN/1.73M2 - KIDNEY FAILURE: <15 ML/MIN/1.17M2

T24D1 Creatinine standardized to reference material traceable to internationally accepted Isotope Dilution Mass Spectrometry (IDMS) method.

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1400 Locust Street Pittsburgh, PA 15219 Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN

Ad.Date: 06/22/2011 Med.Rec.No.: 980-40-4528 Acct.No.: 000334426881173

Dr.: Whiteford, John Ryan Age: 44Y Birth: 06/02/1967

Sex: F

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06/22/11 1842 Basic Metabolic Panel

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\*\*\* RADIOLOGY REPORT \*\*\*

Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN DOB: 06/02/1967

MRN: 980404528 Gender: F Location: UDEM (MCY)

Exam Desc: MR SPINE LUMBAR WITHOUT CONTRAST

Accession Date: 06/22/2011 21:07 Dictated on : 06/22/2011 21:59

Attending MD: JOHN R WHITEFORD

Requesting MD: JOHN MARTIN MURRAY

Accession #: 64565911 Visit Number: 0334426881173

Attending Interpreter: BARTON F BRANSTETTER

Assisting Interpreter:

#### \*\*\* FINAL REPORT \*\*\*

Reason for the Exam: progressive back pain, left leg numbness and decreased refl

#### CLINICAL HISTORY:

Back pain, paresthesias, and diminished reflexes.

#### TECHNIQUE

Sagittal and axial short and long TR images were obtained through the lumbar spine.

# COMPARISON:

None.

#### FINDINGS:

The overall alignment of the lumbar spine is preserved. No bone marrow signal abnormalities are seen. The spinal cord is normal in signal and terminates at a normal level.

At L4-5, there is a diffuse disc bulge with overlying central disc herniation that causes moderate left lateral recess stenosis. No foraminal stenosis results.

At L5-S1, there is a large right paracentral and lateral disc herniation that completely occludes the lateral recess and severely stenosis of the neural foramen. There is a free fragment of disc that is migrated slightly cranially behind the L5 vertebral body. The L5 nerve root as it exits is engorged, and edematous.

## IMPRESSION:

There is huge right-sided disc herniation with a free fragment at L5-S1. There is lateral recess stenosis at the left at L4-5.

### END OF IMPRESSION:

RELEVANT CLINICAL INFORMATION: progressive back pain, left leg numbness and decr

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UPMC MERCY EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT EVALUATION

PATIENT NAME: FONTANA, TRISH A ACCOUNT #: 0334426881170 DATE OF SERVICE: 06/19/2011

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Back Pain

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: The patient presents with a 2 weeks history of right lumbosacral back pain. The pain began without provocation. The pain is described as severe, sharp and is radiating into the right leg. The pain is made worse with movement The patient the patient describes paresthesias intermittently over the right lateral calf but denies any weakness or bowel or bladder difficulty. The patient also denies abdominal, dysuria, frequency or flank pain Home treatment has been NSAID's. She has been seeing a chiropractor without relief of symptoms.

REVIEW OF SYSTEMS: All systems listed below were reviewed and are negative unless otherwise noted in the report.

General Gastrointestinal Genitourinary Musculoskeletal Neurological

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: See HPI achilles tendonitis; Bronchitis, acute; GERD

MEDICATIONS: Reviewed and agree with nurses notes

ALLERGIES: Reviewed and agree with nurses notes

FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY:

SOCIAL HISTORY: In speaking

PHYSICAL EXAM: Vital Signs: Reviewed and agree with nurses notes

PATENT STATUS: alert and comfortable

BACK: Paravertebral lumbosacral tenderness to palpation without swelling or

discoloration.

MUSCULOSKELETAL: Extremities are symmetrical, FROM, without swelling or

tenderness

NEUROLOGICAL: Motor and sensory examination of the lower extremities intact.

Knee and ankle reflexes normal.

DIAGNOSTIC STUDIES:

HOSPITAL COURSE:

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MEDICAL DECISION MAKING: The patients clinical presentation is consistent with lumbar sciatica No clinical evidence of myelopathy, or cauda equine syndrome. We are treating the patient symptomatically with NSAIDS and a limited supply of oral opiates. We have recommended follow up with Dr. Richman for further evaluation and treatment.. The patient knows to return promptly for new or worsening symptoms.

DIAGNOSIS: Lumbar radiculopathy

DISPOSITION: The patient was discharged home in stable condition. A customized computer generated instruction sheet was given and a copy is attached to the chart.

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\*\*\* RADIOLOGY REPORT \*\*\*

Patient Name: FONTANA, TRISH ANN DOB: 06/02/1967

MRN: 980404528 Gender: F Location: JPAT (MCY)

Exam Desc: CHEST FRONTAL AND LATERAL VIEWS

Accession Date: 06/07/2010 10:24 Dictated on : 06/07/2010 10:34

Attending MD: JAMES N DEANGELO
Requesting MD: JAMES N DEANGELO

Accession #: 61588953 Visit Number: 0334426880158

Attending Interpreter: STEVEN P KARR

Assisting Interpreter:

\*\*\* FINAL REPORT \*\*\*

Reason for the Exam: COUGH, WHEEZING, SOB

EXAMINATION PERFORMED:

CHEST FRONTAL AND LATERAL VIEWS 06/07/10 1014 HOURS

CLINICAL HISTORY: Cough and wheezing.

TECHNIQUE:

PA and lateral views

FINDINGS:

The lungs, cardiovascular silhouette and pulmonary vasculature are normal. No pleural changes or osseous abnormalities are seen.

IMPRESSION:

NORMAL CHEST.

END OF IMPRESSION:

RELEVANT CLINICAL INFORMATION: COUGH, WHEEZING, SOB

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Accte: 13626 BRENTWOOD MEDICAL GROUP 03/29/10 DOB: 06/02/1967 Sex: F Age: 42 years Trishann Fontana

Nurse Note: CC: PRE-OF SURG 4-7-10 - DR. DAVID MANCE (FAX 412-881-1026)

<u>Subjective</u>

CC: Patient presents for preoperative visit,

HPI: Presents for consultation and pre-op clearance exam.

Pre-op clearance exam: Surgeon: Dr David Mance

ROS:

Const: Denies constitutional symptoms.

ENMT: Denies ear symptoms.

Resp: Denies respiratory symptoms.

Musculo: Reports foot pain. Surgical Risk Factors:

Hx of blood dyscrasias or easy bleeding? no

Hx of untoward anesthetic reaction? no

Hx of recent steroid use? no

Hx of diabetes? no

Hx of hypertension? no

Hx of laryngeal or tracheal damage? no

Hx of cervical spine pain/fracture/surgery? no

Hx of reaction to lodine or tape or latex? no

Hx of transfusions? no

Use of contacts? no

Use of dentures/partial dentures? no

Current Meds: Ibuprofen 800 mg, Prilosec 20 mg, Proair HFA 108 (90 Base) mcg/ac, Zyrtec Allergy

10 mg, Omnaris 50 mcg/Act, Pataday 0.2 %

Penicillin, Morphine, Pentothal Allergies:

РМН:

Medical Problems:

None

Surgical Hx: None

Reviewed, no changes.

FH:

Reviewed, no changes.

SH:

Personal Habits: Cigarette Use: Current Cigarette Smoker 1 Pack Daily. Alcohol: Denies alcohol

use.

Reviewed, no changes.

Objective:

Wt: 155lb Wt Prior: 143lb as of 03/08/10 Wt Dit: +12lb Ht: 63.25" 5'3.25" BP: 120/70 T: 98.5

Pulse: 78 BMI: 27.2 IBW: 115

Exam:

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Const: Appears healthy and well developed. No signs of acute distress present. Alert and

oriented.

Head/Face: Normal on inspection,

Eyes: Conjunctivae clear. PERRL Sclerae are anictedo. ENMT: External ears WNL. Oropharynx: Appears normal. Neck: No JVD. Carottus: 2+ and equal bilaterally, without bruits.

Resp: AP diameter is unremarkable. Clear to auscultation. CV: Rate is regular. Rhythm is regular. S1 is normal. S2 is normal. No heart murmur

appreciated. No extra sounds. Pedal pulses: 2+ and equal bilaterally. Extremities; Peripheral

circulation is grossly normal. No edema of the lower limbs bilaterally.

Abdomen: Positive bowel sounds. No bruits. Normal to percussion. Abdomen is soft,

nontender, and nondistanced without guarding, rigidity or rebound tenderness. No abdominal

masses. No pulsatile masses present. No palpable hepatosplenomegaly.

Lymph: No palpable or visible regional lymphadenopathy.

Assessment #1: V72.83 Examination Preoperative Other Spec NO CONTRAINDICATION FOR SURGERY Comments

Plan: Lab

: BMP Basic Metabolic Panel

CBC W/Diff & PLT

Assessment #2: 729.5 Pain In Limb

Plan:

: (Follow up) Follow Up

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UPMC MERCY AT SOUTH SIDE OUTPATIENT CENTER Podiatry Same Day Surgery Operative Report

PATIENT NAME: FONTANA, TRISH A ACCOUNT #: 0334426880082 SURGEON: David J. Mance, D.P.M. SURGERY DATE: 04/07/10

TITLE OF OPERATION:

LEFT ANKLE ARTHROSCOPIC DEBRIDEMENT.

ANESTHESIA:

LOCAL WITH MAC USING 25 mL OF 1% LIDOCAINE (PLAIN).

PREOPERATIVE DIAGNOSIS:

LEFT ANKLE ARTHRITIS AND SYNOVITIS.

POSTOPERATIVE DIAGNOSIS:

LEFT ANKLE ARTHRITIS AND SYNOVITIS.

SURGEON:

David J. Mance, D.P.M.

ASSISTANT:

Joseph Yeargain, D.P.M.

HEMOSTASIS:

Left calf pneumatic tourniquet.

ESTIMATED BLOOD LOSS:

Less than 15 mL.

MATERIALS:

Nylon suture.

INDICATIONS:

The patient was seen in Dr. Mance's office complaining of severe pain to the anterolateral ankle gutter. Radiographs confirmed a decrease in joint space, and clinical exam confirms pain with range of motion and palpation to the anterolateral gutter. A diagnostic joint injection was performed relieving the patient's symptoms. Therefore, it was deemed necessary to undergo arthroscopic

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\*U\*P\*M\*C\* FONTANA, TRISH Acct#:0334426880082 surgical debridement of the left ankle joint.

### DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION:

The patient was identified in the preoperative holding area. Formal consent was signed, including: all risks, benefits, complications, and alternatives of the procedure. The correct operative site was marked as the left lower extremity. The patient was in full agreement with the treatment plan.

Next, the patient was brought into the Operating Room and placed on the table in a supine position. A pneumatic left calf tourniquet was placed. The first time-out was performed, including: the patient's full name, medical record number, correct operative site, and any allergies.

Next, the area was scrubbed, prepped, and draped in the usual, aseptic manner. 25 mL of 1% lidocaine (plain) was used in an ankle block fashion. IV sedation was performed.

Next, attention was directed to the left ankle where two stab incisions were made in a typical anterolateral and anteromedial ankle scope portals. These were deepened down to the capsule layer using a curved hemostat, and using a blunt obturator with a cannula, the instrumentation was inserted into the portals. A 4.0 arthroscope was used as well as a soft-tissue shaver in order to debride extensive synovitis from the anterior portion of the lateral and medial ankle gutters with severe synovitis noted to the anterolateral ankle

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Following debridement, the ankle scope was clear, and there were no osteochondral defects noted. Excellent range of motion was maintained. There were no osteophyte formations on the anterior tibial, and no adhesions were noted. No vastus lesion was identified.

Next, copious lavage was performed to the left ankle joint using lactated Ringer's, and the portals were closed with horizontal-mattress sutures using nylon 3-0. A sterile compressive dressing was in place to the ankle joint using 4 x 4s, Kerlix, and an Ace bandage. The tourniquet was deflated, and a prompt hyperemic response was noted to the left foot.

The patient tolerated the procedure and anesthesia well and was transferred to the PACU with vital signs stable and vascular status intact to the left foot.

The patient will be given a prescription for Percocet 5/500 (#30) to be taken one every four-to-six hours, as needed, for pain. She will be made weightbearing, as tolerated, to the left lower extremity using a postoperative shoe and crutches, as needed. She will follow up with Dr. Mance in one week.

### ATTESTATION STATEMENT:

Dr. Mance was present for the entire case.

David J. Mance, D.P.M.

DICTATED BY: Joseph Yeargain, D.P.M.

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INVOICE

Health Information Management Release of Information Department Melwood Building – Lower Level 200 Lothrop Street Pittsburgh, PA 15213

> Date May 18, 2013 Request # 246262

BILL TO: Bureau of Disability S67 Greensburg/PA-DDS P O Box 8751 London KY 40742

Patient Name	Medical Record/Soc Security #	UPMC Facility
FONTANA, TRISH A	980404528	Mercy (MCY)

Total Pages Released	39
Balance Due	\$26.12

# Dear Requestor:

This letter is to inform you that the Health Information Management, Release of Information Department for UPMC Mercy Hospital has received your request for release of medical record information on the above referenced patient(s). Enclosed are the medical records that you have requested.

#### **Payments**

Please make check or money order payable to UPMC Mercy Hospital and be sure to include this invoice along with the payment. All payments are to be sent to the UPMC address at the top of this letter. For your records, our tax id number is 25-0965429. If you would like to make a payment via credit card, log onto the following website and choose "Medical Record" as the Type of Bill. Information from your invoice will be needed. https://npaybill.upmc.com

### Films and Photographs

Please note that a request for a complete medical record will not include photographic or radiographic images. Photographs will need to be specifically requested on the authorization. Radiology images will need to be requested from the appropriate radiology department located in the hospital at which the patient was seen.

# Questions/Canceling Requests

If records are no longer needed or you wish to cancel this request for any reason, please notify the Release of Information Department so that the balance can be removed from your name. All cancellations and any questions related to this invoice can be directed to the Release of Information Department at 412-802-0100, Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm.

#### DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS:

This information has been disclosed to you from records whose confidentiality is protected by state and federal law. Federal regulations (42 CFR Part 2) prohibit you from making any further disclosure of this information without the specific written authorization of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by such regulations. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is not sufficient for this purpose.

This information has been disclosed to you from records whose confidentiality is protected by State statute. State regulations limit your right to make any further disclosure of this information without prior written consent of the person to whom it pertains. This information has been disclosed to you from records that may be protected by Federal confidentiality rules (42 CFR part 2). The Federal rules prohibit you from making any further disclosure of this information unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by 42 CFR part 2. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose. The Federal rules restrict any use of the information to criminally investigate or prosecute any alcohol or drug abuse patient. This information has been disclosed to you from records protected by Pennsylvania law. Pennsylvania law prohibits you from making any further disclosure of this information unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by the written consent of the person to whom it pertains or is authorized by the Confidentiality of HIV-Related Information Act. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is not sufficient for this purpose.

The paper copy of an electronic record can vary in format and content, depending on how or when the record was printed. If there are questions as to the format or content of the electronic chart, please contact us at the number above.

The paper copy of the electronic anesthesia record may contain truncated data. If the banner bar of the anesthesia record contains the statement "Actions – Refer to the electronic record for complete data", please contact us at the number above if the complete anesthesia record is needed.